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A PERSONAL NOTE: If anyone wants information in HA, please email me the exact wording if you can. I can then paste it right in the newsletter. Of course I will accept information in regular mail from everyone else.

SECOND REVISED ULTIMATE HISTORY: Just a reminder that this book was originally written in 1992 and is the first and original book listing Network radio programming and the shows that are in circulation.

The Second Supplement to the 2nd Revised Ultimate History is now available for \$6.50 including P&H. Both supplements are \$11.50 including P&H

The 2001 “2nd Revised Ultimate History” with the first and second supplement is \$55 plus \$4. Please send information for the third supplement when you can, the earlier the better. I will need the information by October 1, 2004.

I did not write a Supplement 6 for my Necrology. Most of the information is in HA anyway and there is much info on the internet, especially by Ron Sayles. His web site is <http://mywebpage.netscape.com/bogusotr/instant/taz.html>

CONVENTION 2004: Dates are Oct 21 – 24, 2004 at the Holiday Inn, Newark, NJ. Our web site will keep you up to date. Note new web site name at end of HA. Flyer is attached

CONVENTION 2003: 2003 Convention booklets are available for \$3.00 including P&H. There are many guests bios and pictures. Our handouts were letter openers this year. Send me a SASE for one. 2002 pens are available for \$1.00 including P&H. 2001 pens are available for \$1.00 each including P&H. Special 25th Anniversary small desk clocks are available for \$5 including P&H. Past Convention Booklets are \$2.50 each including P&H.

All of the sessions were video recorded by Satellite Media Production. You may order them as a complete set or by individual sessions. Please contact Fred Berney at Satellite Media Production, P.O. Box 638, Walkersville, MD 21793-0638. Phone 800-747-0856. Email: berney@fred.net

Friends of Old-Time Radio Script Contest

The 11th annual script writing contest is now open. This year your half-hour script must be based on any recognizable classic radio program - comedy or drama, with original characters and new ones added if you wish.

But please, no spoofs with Jack Benny, Abbott and Costello, others. That hasn't worked in the past. The script must be ready to produce - typed double spaced, large enough for actors to read, all sound cues included. Usual format includes short opening, middle and closing commercials, whether for a product that existed then, or one of your own. Try to set the story in its original time period, unless science fiction. Try to keep cast to ten or less, although some actors can double in smaller parts.

First prize in the contest is \$200, and the script will be performed live at our 2005 convention. Second prize winner, which will not be performed, is \$100.

Scripts must be submitted by August 31, 2004 to Dave Zwengler, 319 Plymouth Road, North Brunswick NJ 08902 (732 - 0940 - 7639). Three experienced judges will pick the winning scripts and detailed suggestions for improvements will be sent to non-winners. If you want a primer on preferred page format, send SASE to Mr. Zwengler.

This year's winner, "You Are There" by Edgar Russell, III will be performed at our October convention.

CLUB NEWS: A new club forming is "Polk Olde Type Radio Club." President is Hugh Anderson, 304 Meadowlark Dr., Tryon, NC 28782. As seen, the club is in North Carolina.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: A complete list of publications mentioned with addresses, contact people, etc. is one of the introductory pages in my current Ultimate History. It is also part of a small package mailed with your first Hello Again. If you don't have one, email me for it and I will email it to you. If you don't have email, please send me a SASE for it...**Radiogram**, May; articles about Jan Merlin; Harry Babbitt; Tom Mix; Bob Bailey; Gunsmoke Repeats...June; articles about OTR at the movies; Bob Burns; July; articles about Dutch Reagan on Radio; Producing FM&M...**Chattanooga Airwaves**, May – Jun; article about Mercedes McCambridge...**Aircheck**, May; articles about Harry Bartell; Cavalcade of America; Bob Hope...**Illustrated Press**, June; article about Roy Rogers...**Return with us Now**, June; article about Gang Busters...July; article about NBC chimes...**Nostalgia Digest**; Summer; articles about Al Jolson; Bergen Evans; Jack Coombe; Ralph Byrd; Tom Mix; Radio Premiums; Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers; Dating Radio shows; **Radio Recall**, June; articles about This is Broadway; Eddy King and Dragnet; Buck Rogers; **RLL on the Air**, June; article about Gang Busters...**The Jot 'em Down Journal**, June; 1933 revisited with Lum and Abner...**Old-time Radio Digest**, Summer; articles about Judy Garland; The Shadow; This is Your FBI...**RCA Newsletter**, June; article about Jack French

BOOKS: (Most books can also be purchased at <www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>, <Amazon.com> or <Barnesandnoble.com>). **Greenwood Publishing Group** (Box 5007, Westport, CT 06881) has published many bio-bibliographies in the performing arts. James Robert Parish is the series editor. Over 80 have been published. For a list or to order call 1-800-225-5800 or 1-203-226-3571...I just received the "**39 Forever**" Vol 1 (**Jack Benny from May 1932 - May 1942**) from Laura Leff. The cost is \$40 (go to <www.Jackbenny.org>) for details or write to Box 11288, Piedmont, CA 94611. It has 532 pages and has complete descriptions of every program during these 10 years. It has just about every index you can imagine including Cast; city; guest Star; Music - vocalist; skits; songs; notable happenings and firsts. As one of the first to put out a Jack Benny log years ago, I heartily recommend this. Laura has done a monumental job...**Storytelling in the Pulp, Comics and Radio** by Tim Deforest, 2004, McFarland (1-800-253-2187 or 1-336-246-4460); \$35.00; **How Technology Changed Popular Fiction in America...Mr. Keen, Tracer of Lost Persons** by Jim Cox; McFarland; 2004; \$65.00; **A Complete History and episode Log of Radio's Most Durable Detective...Deems Taylor** by James Pegolotti; Northeastern Univ. Press; 2003; 410 pages; Hardcover; illustrations; Cost is \$40; (1-617-373-5480) <www.nupress.neu.edu>. A biography of this critic, author, composer and radio personality;

CONVENTIONS:

29th Old-time Country Music Contest and Festival, Aug 30 – Sep 5, 2004 at Harrison County Fairgrounds in Missouri Valley, Iowa. For information contact Bob Everhart at Box 492, Walnut, IA 51577 (712) 762-4363 <bobeverhart@yahoo.com>.

29th Friends of Old-time Radio Convention, Oct 21 - 24, 2004 at the Holiday Inn, Newark, NJ; For information contact Jay Hickerson, Box 4321, Hamden, CT 06514 (203) 248-2887 <JayHick@aol.com> or check our web site: <http://www.fotr.net>)

SPERDVAC Convention, November 12 – 14 at the Hacienda Hotel at LAX. Bobb Lynes will be the convention chair. (1-877-251-5771) or www.sperdvac.org

THE INTERNET: Many of my subscribers are on the Internet. If you want to get on the mailing list for the Old Time Radio Digest (Round table) on the Internet, e-mail to this address: [<old.time.radio-request@oldradio.net>](mailto:old.time.radio-request@oldradio.net)...

WEB SITES: Various OTR Web sites will be posted. Most begin with www.> Let me know what yours is: **Lou Genco** (many collectors have their sites here including Vintage Broadcasts; Ted Davenport; Ed Carr; Fred Berney; Pat McCoy) [<old-time.com>](http://old-time.com)...**Jim Widner** [<otr.com>](http://otr.com) (Radio Days)...**Chuck Schaden** [<nostalgia Digest.com>](http://nostalgia Digest.com)... **BRC (Bob Burnham)** [<brcradio.com/>](http://brcradio.com)...**Ted Kneebone** [< geocities.com/tkneebone1>](http://geocities.com/tkneebone1)...**Jerry Haendiges** [<otrsite.com/radiolog/index.html>](http://otrsite.com/radiolog/index.html).. ...**Australian Film and Sound** [<Screen sound.gov.au>](http://Screen sound.gov.au)...**Owens Pomeroy (Golden Radio Buffs)** (not www) [<members.aol.com/grbmd>](http://members.aol.com/grbmd).. **OTR Digest** www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>...**Jack Benny Fan Club** [<Jackbenny.org>](http://Jackbenny.org)...**Radio Broadcast Chronicles** [<gna.net/tia>](http://gna.net/tia)...**Tom Heathwood** [<HeritageRadio.com>](http://HeritageRadio.com)... **First Generation Archives** [<radioarchives.org>](http://radioarchives.org) (Free subscription) [<http://www.radioarchives.org/newsletter.asp>](http://www.radioarchives.org/newsletter.asp)...**Radio Enthusiasts of Puget Sound** [<reps online.org>](http://reps online.org)...**Terry Salomonson** [<audio-classic.com>](http://audio-classic.com) [<digitalotr.com>](http://digitalotr.com)...The OTR Club now has a web page at <http://www2.pcom.net/robmcd/otrbuffalo/>> ...**Doug Kosmonek** [<http://members.shaw.ca/douglas kosmonek>](http://members.shaw.ca/douglas kosmonek)...new email is [<douglas kosmonek@shaw.ca>](mailto:douglas kosmonek@shaw.ca)...**Radio Spirits** [<radiospirits.com>](http://radiospirits.com)...**The MWOTRC** web site is now operational and can be accessed either by www.mwotrc.com or www.readiorecall.com...**Radio Memories (NEW)** www.radiomemories.com...**Ivan G. Shreve, Jr. (Thrilling Days of Yesteryear)** <http://blogs.salon.com/0003139/>>...**Bear Manor Media**, a publishing company (run by Ben Ohmart. Send for their catalog...They have published many OTR books in the last few years. [<http://www.bearmanormedia.com>](http://www.bearmanormedia.com)...**RHAC** web site is [<www.rhac.org>](http://www.rhac.org)

CATALOGS AND NEW SHOWS (All addresses first): **McCoy's Recording** (Pat McCoy), Box 1069, Richland, WA 99352...**Jerry Haendiges**, 13808 Sunset Dr., Whittier, CA 90602 [<JHaendiges@aol.com>](mailto:JHaendiges@aol.com) ...**Roger Hill's "Nothing's New"** 711 San Mateo Ave., San Bruno, CA 94066 (650) 871-6063...**Vintage Broadcasts** (Andy Blatt), Box 3257, Milford, CT 06460 (203-783-1923); also 1-866-783-1923; [<andy@vintagebroadcasts.com>](mailto:andy@vintagebroadcasts.com)...**Radio Memories** (Ted Davenport), 1600 Wewoka St., North Little Rock, AR 72116 (501) 835-0465 [<Tedotr@aol.com>](mailto:Tedotr@aol.com) (WEB) www.radiomemories.com...**Great American Radio (GAR)** (Garry Kramer), Box 504, Genesee, MI 48437...**Bequaert Old Books**, Box 775, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447 (603) 585-3448 [<www.beqbooks.com>](http://www.beqbooks.com); send 2 34-cents stamps for a catalog of books and magazines on OTR...**AVPRO** (Don Aston), Box 1392, Lake Elsinore, CA 92531 (1-888-3328776)...**Radio Spirits**, Box 3107, Wallingford, CT 06492 (1-800-833-4248)...**Redmond Nostalgia Co.** (David Kiner), Box 82, Redmond, WA 98073...**SPERDVAC Library** (Box 7177, Van Nuys, CA 91409)...**John Barber**, Box 72273., New Orleans, LA 70112 (504) 586-1931 [<jbarber@gno.lib.la.us>](mailto:jbarber@gno.lib.la.us)... **Vintage Audio** (Tom Martin), 461 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 (518) 584-1112 [<Thomasmartin245@aol.com>](mailto:Thomasmartin245@aol.com).....**Satellite Video Production** (**Fred Berney**) Box 638, Walkersville, MD 21793 (1-800-747-0856) [<Berney@fred.net>](mailto:Berney@fred.net)...**BRC Productions** (Bob Burnham), Box 158, Dearborn, MI 48127 [<platecap@brcradio.com>](mailto:platecap@brcradio.com) [<www.brcradio.com>](http://www.brcradio.com)...**Hello Again Radio** (Bob Burchett), 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042...**Audio Classics Archive** (**Terry Salomonson**), Box 347, Howell, MI 48844; 1-877-653-8963 (for orders only) [<audio-classic.com>](http://audio-classic.com)...**Lodestone** (Richard Fish), 611 Empire Mill Rd., Bloomington, IN 47401; 1-800-411-6463 [<lodestone-media.com>](http://lodestone-media.com) (Deals in New Audio Theater...**Ed Carr**, 216 Shaner St., Boyertown, PA 19512 [<edcarr@enter.net>](mailto:edcarr@enter.net)...**Dan Riedstra**, 2830 North Rockwell St., Chicago, IL 60618 [<daniel.riedstra@wcom.com>](mailto:daniel.riedstra@wcom.com)... **Max Schmid**, Box 3449, Astoria, NY 11103 [<mschmid@rcn.com>](mailto:mschmid@rcn.com) [<www.older timeradio.com>](http://www.older timeradio.com)...**Henry Hinkel**, 254

Florida Avenue, Amsterdam, NY 12010 <www.crabapplesound.com>

All listings below list sampling of shows. Vintage Broadcasts; Jack Parr; People are Funny; Hour of Charm

OLD FRIENDS: OTR collector, writer, **Durell Roth** is also an amateur radio operator and would like to hear from other operators who would be interested in meeting on the air to discuss OTR. Roth can be contacted by email at theroths@onr.com or by telephone at 512-329-3242...**Bill Anthony**, 1684 Beryl Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15227 is still looking for any Lux Radio Theater between 10/14/34 – 6/30/35 except "Dulcy." His email is <ajeftyarnez@wmconnect.com>

NEW ADDRESSES: **Raymond Wood**, Box 242, Syracuse, NY 13214...**Wallace Kubec**, 350 Port Richmond Ave. #201, Staten Island, NY 10302

IN FOND MEMORY: **Ronald Reagan**, June 5, 93; Did a lot of anthology shows on radio...**Irene Manning**; May 28; 87; Singer, actress; (Anthology shows)...**Jim McClain**; May 5; 91 (Dr. IQ)...**Barbara Whiting**; June 9, 73; Actress (Junior Miss; Meet Corliss Archer)...**Gary Stevens**; May 17; 88; broadcast executive; produced 20 Questions, Luncheon at Sardi's...**Bernard Grant**, Jun 30, 83; Actor (Roger Kilgore; Big Story); **Marlon Brando**, July 1, 80; Was in one short series in radio (As Easy as ABC).

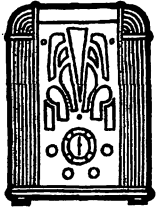
Hello Again is \$15 a year and is published 6 times a year. The first issue appeared in April of 1970.

Write if you get work; and hang by your thumbs

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7499 A Beware of Tomorrow (no opening) 4/9/1944
B #20 The Accusing Corpse 4/16/1944
7500 A #31 Queen of the Cats 7/2/1944
B #55 They Who Sleep 1/6/1945

7501 A Case of Charles Foster 3/10/1945
B Death is the Visitor 8/25/1946
7502 A Symphony of Death 9/8/1946
B Death is the Judge 6/15/1947
7503 A The Locomotive Ghost 7/16/1947
B Death is My Caller 10/21/1947
7504 A The Woman in Black 3/9/1947
B Dark Destiny 4/13/1947
7505 A The Man Who Died Twice 2/24/1948
B They Struck It Rich 3/16/1948
7506 A Death Writes a Letter 5/18/1948
B Murder is My Business 6/8/1948

7507 A The Visiting Corpse 8/10/1948
B Death Has a Thousand Faces 9/21/1948
7508 A Zero Hour 6/27/1948
B The Man Who Vanished 7/6/1948
7509 A The Last Survivor 10/11/1949
B Survival of the Fittest 1/10/1950
7510 A I Died Last Night 4/25/1950
B The Man Who Tried to Save Lincoln 2/7/1950
7511 A S.O.S. 5/2/1950
B Killer at Large 6/6/1950



We won't need **Sherlock Holmes** to figure out if
You Are There at the 29th
 Friends of Old-Time Radio Convention
 October 21-24, 2004 Holiday Inn North,
 Newark you will have a good time.

Guests

Special Convention Guests who have given definite or tentative acceptance of our invitations:

West Coast Guests

Jack Bivans – Capt. Midnight; Sky King
Paul Carnegie – (Sound effects, actor) Green Hornet, Lone Ranger
Bob Hastings – Archie Andrews; (Television) McHale's Navy
Jane Kean – Singer; TV - Honeymooners
Jimmy Lydon – Let's Pretend; Young Love
Paul Petersen – (TV) Donna Reed Show; Singer
Hal Stone – Jughead in Archie Andrews
Dick Van Patten – Aldrich Family; Duffy's Tavern
Elena Verdugo – Meet Millie; Marcus Welby, MD

New East Coast Guests

Mortimer Frank - Author and authority on Arturo Toscanini
Bobby Ramsen – Comedian
Ruth and Ted Reinhart – Entertainers and radio hosts
Jean Rouverol – One Man's Family
Robert Lewis Shayon – Producer and director of "You Are There"
Pat Timberg – Daughter of Sammy Timberg, composer, especially for cartoons
John (Buck) Wilkin – Singer (Ronnie and the Daytonas)

Returnees

Arthur Anderson – Let's Pretend, Mercury Theater
George Ansbros – (Announcer) ABC
Don Buka – Let's Pretend
Cliff Carpenter – County Seat, Terry and the Pirates
Fred Foy – (Announcer) The Lone Ranger
Pat Hosley – A Brighter Day
Will Hutchins – (TV) Blondie; Sugarfoot

Elaine Hyman – The Lone Ranger
Teri Keane – Life Can Be Beautiful
Ron Lackmann – Let's Pretend
Corinne Orr – Theater Five; (TV) Voices for Speed Racer
Ruth Last – Let's Pretend; Quiet Please
Bill Owen – (Announcer for ABC)
Rosemary Rice – Archie Andrews; Let's Pretend
Larry Robinson – Let's Pretend
Soupy Sales – TV personality

Events

The following events are tentatively scheduled. Time will be announced at convention.

Thursday

Dealers Rooms: 9 am – 5:30 pm
 Digital OTR, The Mini Disc Solution (J Galagher and F Berney)
 A Reading (Tom Powers)
 Cocktails and Dinner: 5:30 - 8:00
 The winning original drama of 2003 (**You Are There**) written by Edgar Russell III- Dir. by A. Anderson
 Meet **Robert Lewis Shayon**
 Those Were the Days Radio Players from Chicago present Duffy's Tavern "Who Done it In Dorset" with Jack Bivans

Friday (Daytime)

Dealers Rooms: 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
 What's My Name quiz (Dave Zwengler)
 The Greatest Radio Actor (J Galagher)
 Cartoons Influenced by Radio (M Hayde)
 One on One with Arthur Anderson (D Zwengler)
 Bob and Ray (H Stone and B Hastings)
 Comedy Panel: (Derek Tague, M L Wallace) with Soupy Sales, Elena Verdugo, Bobby Ramsen, Jane Kean, Dick Van Patten. Will Hutchins, Ted Reid
 (Re-creation) original presentation by The Gotham Radio Players "The Battle of the Warsaw Ghetto" by Morton Wishengrad

Friday Night

Cocktails and dinner: 5:30 - 7:45 p.m.

(Re-creation) Great Scenes From Great Plays - Dir. by A. Anderson
(Re-creation) My Favorite Husband - Dir. by G Yoggy
Ruth and Ted Reinhart

Saturday (Daytime)

Dealers Rooms: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Who Wants to Be a Millionaire (M Weisberg)
Husband and Wife Detective Teams (Jack French)
Arturo Toscanini (Mortimer Frank with Walfredo Toscanini,
grandson)
Judy Garland (G Yoggy)
(Re-creation) by the Dave Warren Players "Baby Snooks"
Children's Shows (G Downs)
Singers, musicians and Big Bands, 8th annual (hosted by Stu Weiss
and Brian Gari); guests include Patricia Timberg; Buck
Wilkin; Jane Kean
(Re-creation) Sherlock Holmes "The Lost Special" dir by Bill
Nadel

Saturday Night

Cocktails and dinner: 5:30 - 7:45 p.m.
(Re-creation) The Green Hornet with Fred Foy, Paul Canegie (dir A
Tollin)
Max Morath Reminisces (Tentative)
(Re-creation) (to Be Decided) (dir by Don Ramlow)
Awards, raffle, donations

Sunday Morning

**Breakfast from 7:00 am to 9:30; There will be a
panel of guests (to be decided) from 9:30 to
11:00 am**

Getting There

By Air: **Fly to Newark Airport**

Free shuttle bus from Newark Airport.

By Bus: Bus service from Manhattan's Port Authority to Newark
Airport: then take shuttle bus.

By Car: From NJ Turnpike, take Exit 14; take second right
marked **FRONTAGE ROAD** after toll booth. **DO
NOT TAKE FIRST RIGHT** which is Rt. 1 & 9.
Take second right directly under bridge marked **Frontage
Road**. You must take one of the right - hand tolls and
stay on the right.
From Garden State Parkway south of airport, take Exit
140 to Route 22E to Routes 1 & 9 North, local. Follow
the sign marked **FRONTAGE ROAD**. Follow to
hotel.
From Garden State Parkway North of airport: take Exit
142 to I-78 to Exit 58B (**Frontage Road**)
From Newark Airport, exit airport and follow route 1 & 9
North to **FRONTAGE ROAD**.

By Train: Check your local train schedule

Cost

Reserve your spot as soon as possible. **Prepaid tickets are
held at the door. Take advantage of our package
specials described on attached sheet.**

**Thursday, October 21; Daytime only (9 am - 5 pm); \$20;
\$15 if paid in advance**

**Thursday, October 21; Daytime and evening
including buffet dinner (9 am - closing) \$43.00.**

**Friday, October 22: Daytime only (9 am - 5:30 pm)
\$20.00 if paid in advance; \$25.00 at the door.**

**Friday, October 22: Daytime and evening including
buffet dinner (9 a.m. - closing) \$55.00. Discount of
\$5.00 for those over 62 and under 16.**

**Saturday, October 23: Daytime only (9 a.m. - 5:00
p.m.) \$20.00 if paid in advance; \$25.00 at the door.**

**Saturday, October 23: Daytime and evening including
buffet dinner (9 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.) \$61.00. Discount of
\$5.00 for those over 62 and under 16.**

**Sunday, October 24: Morning including buffet
breakfast and panel, 7:00 to 11:00 am: \$20**

**Complimentary coffee and muffins early Thursday, Friday and
Saturday mornings; complimentary hors d'oeuvres Friday
and Saturday evenings. Hors d'oeuvres for dinner
guests only.**

**Dealer's Tables are \$75 and \$95 Details on special
sheet.**

Hotel: Rooms are \$99.99, no matter how many in a room, no
matter how many nights. **ALL ROOMS MUST BE
RESERVED USING THE HI NORTH
NUMBER (1-973-589-1000) or 1-973-854-7817
during normal business hours. Ask for
ISABEL. Reservation should be placed by
September 25th. Rooms are limited. There
are other options described on special sheet.**

Ads: Ads may be placed in our program book. See attached

Registration

Advance dinner reservations **must** be made. Reservations are
limited (Friday 300; Saturday 400). Make checks out to
FOTR or Jay Hickerson

**Mail to Jay Hickerson, Box 4321, Hamden, CT
06514. (203) 248-2887; FAX (203) 281-1322;
E-mail: JayHick@aol.com**

On the Web at: www.fotr.net

29th Friends of Old-time Radio Convention

Oct 21 – 24, 2004

Updated and Further Information

Registration

All meal reservations **MUST** be paid in advance. If you are coming for the day only, avoid the hassle of paying at the registration desk **and save money**. Preregistration for the day only is **\$20 if mailed in advance** and **\$25 if paid at the door** for both Friday or Saturday. Remember, if you register at the door, you have to fill out a registration card. If you can't attend the dinner but wish to stay for the activities afterwards, the cost is **\$20** for each night.

The cocktail hour is for dinner guests only. If you come for the day only, but wish to stay for the cocktail hour and hors d'oeuvres, add \$10 to the cost.

PACKAGE PRICES: If you come for all 4 meals (Thursday through Sunday, cost is **\$164** instead of \$179 (**\$154** for seniors). If you come for Thursday through Saturday, cost is **\$145** instead of \$159 (**\$135** for seniors). If you come for Friday through Sunday, cost is **\$126** instead of \$136 (**\$116** for seniors). Make reservations, pay early and avoid lines at the registration table. Tickets are not sent when you register. They are held at the door. If you want confirmation that money has been received, **please send a SASE or e-mail address. It would be easier to send me your email address anyway. I can send you updated information easier.**

Rooms and Parking

Rooms must be reserved through the Holiday Inn-North phone number (1-973-589-1000. Ask to speak with Isabel and tell her you are with FOTR. You must call during business hours. Cost of the rooms is **\$99.99 a day**, regardless of the number of days or number of people in the room. **A deposit might be required (by credit card).** If you must cancel, you must do it by 6 pm of the day you are arriving. Rooms should be reserved by **September 25th**. If you reserve them after that, you will be taking a chance on availability. The Holiday Inn has now been totally renovated with a new wing.

Parking for overnight guests is free. Cost for daytime guests is \$5.00 a car **UNLESS** at least one person in the group buys food in the restaurant or bar; then there is no charge.

If you wish to stay at the **Howard Johnson**, which is also renovated and a half mile from the Holiday Inn, cost per night might be less. There is shuttle service. Call the Holiday Inn-North also for HJ reservation.

If you wish to stay next door at the **Sheraton**, call 1-800-325-3535.

Better rates might be obtained by calling the 800 numbers of Holiday Inn (1-800-465-4329) or The Howard Johnson (1-800-446-4656) as soon as you can. Also try the internet. Don't mention FOTR at first. Don't forget to try the Sheraton. Try to share rooms with someone. Mention AARP and/or AAA if appropriate. There may be a parking fee if done this way.

Seating

Sit where you wish on Thursday and Sunday. On Friday and Saturday, tables will be numbered and **will** be assigned in advance. Tables sit 10 people. If you wish to reserve a full or partial table, please let me know in advance with whom you would like to sit. Make sure the people

with whom you wish to sit are coming. A few people gave me a long list of people to choose from. I can't do this. **All those** who register at the door or who have no preference will sit where there is room. Table reservations **must** be made in advance. We expect a larger attendance than usual.

Ads

Ads may be placed in our program book (8 1/2 by 11). This is our 29th year and we will again have an expanded program book with guest biographies and articles. Cost for ads are:

Full Page – 8 1/2 by 11	\$90	Half Page – 5 1/2 by 8 1/2 or 4 by 11	\$55
Quarter Page – 4 by 5	\$35	Two full Pages –	\$150

Dealers at our convention may take a 35% discount on the ad. Help support our 29th annual convention. Deadline for ads is October 1st.

For our 29th Convention, we are asking members to send in short articles about an OTR topic. E-mailing them to me would be the easiest so I can print them right away. In any case, they must be camera ready. Keep the articles 1 page or less if possible.

Wednesday

To all Wednesday overnight guests and committee...Come and join us for complimentary wine, beer and cheese in the Dresden Room from about 6 pm to about 10 pm. There also will be soft drinks and vegetable & cheese platters. Please let me know if you plan to attend.

Thursday

Remember, the dealers are open from 9 am. I will be at the Holiday Inn Wednesday afternoon.

Food

If you have to eat at a particular time or need special food, please let me know in advance.

Dealers

Cost for dealers will range from \$75 to \$95 per table depending on what room it is in. All details on a special sheet. If a special sheet is not included and you want a dealers table but are not particular as to the room it is in, cost will be \$75 a table. Daytime registration fees for dealers will be eliminated. Dealers can arrive as early as 7 am Thursday morning to set up. Some dealers will be able to set up late Wednesday night. I will let you know as I get closer to the date.

No Smoking

This is a smoke free convention. The Hotel is under new management and is completely renovated. There now is **NO SMOKING ANYWHERE in the convention area, the lobby or the rest rooms.**